



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Hiroshi NOMURA) Group Art Unit: 2877
Application No.: 09/816,164) Examiner: Stock Jr., Gordon J.
Filed: March 26, 2001))
For: METHODS OF MEASURING DISPLACEMENT OF OPTICAL AXIS, OPTICAL MICROSCOPE AND EVALUATION MARK)))
Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450	

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2003, the period for response having been extended by a Petition for Extension of Time for one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith to Monday, February 9, 2004, due to February 7 being a Saturday, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper beginning on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper beginning on page 6.

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